

**Vermont Advisory Board for Children and Youth  
With Special Mental Health Needs**

**July 25, 2006  
AHS Secretary's Conference Room  
Waterbury Complex  
12:00-3:00**

*Present:* Guy Wood, Kreig Pinkham, Ted Tighe, Jo-Anne Unruh, Julie Welkowitz  
*Absent:* Carla Brisson, Jeff McKee, Sherry Nelson  
*Guests:* Alice Maynard, Mandy Morin

**I. Housekeeping**

Minutes of the June 9 meeting were approved with one change: "established" changed to "recommended."

Appointments

- 2005: Alice to call Bob
- 2006: Jo-Anne to speak with Cathi; Alice to inquire about Cindy; Kreig is thinking.

**II. Updates**

- A. Alice reported that VDH Deputy Commissioner for Mental Health, Paul Blake, has announced his retirement effective September 1.....

**III. Planning for Fall Meetings**

**A. September 8**

AHS Deputy Secretary, Commissioners, and Deputy Commissioners will join us from 1:00 to 3:00.

First hour: 20 minute presentation by Clare McFadden and Claire Bruno on emerging consensus on autism next steps. 30-40 minutes of open discussion.

Second hour: Questions for individuals and for the group:

***Individual questions:***

- DAIL's Patrick Flood:  
How do you see the role of DS changing under 264/IA?
- AHS' Scott Johnson:  
How are we doing with the role of Field Service Directors and the 264/IA process? Specific challenges?
- DOE's Richard Cate:  
What is the role of education on the New Agency Team? Is this productive?
- AHS' Steve Gold:  
Do you foresee ways that Global Commitment funding will affect children's services?
- DCF's Steve Dale:  
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- VDH's Sharon Moffat:  
Where are we in training for treatment of people suffering the effects of trauma?

***Group questions:***

- What are you hearing at your level from the ground up about the process under the expanded Act 264/Interagency Agreement (264/IA)?
- What do you see happening in the new Transition Initiative across all departments for children not in custody?
- What do you see as emerging priorities in FY08?
- How can the Board support your work?

**B. October 6**